REMARKS

Claim 5 was in the application. New claims 6-22 have been added by this amendment.

Herein, Applicant is endeavoring to address each of the matters noted by the Examiner in the most recent office action. Applicant also is correcting some informalities noted in claim 5.

With respect to the issue of the oath/declaration, Applicant appreciates that the Examiner referenced a particular section of the MPEP. In reviewing Section 1895.01, Applicant understands that the claim for priority can be addressed via a supplemental application data sheet, which Applicant has attached hereto. As this claim for priority was based on the declaration, and the additional priority claim follows from this application being a continuation of App. Ser. No. 09/369,038, which in turn claim priority from several applications, Applicant prepared the supplement application data sheet attached hereto, and amended the specification in a consistent manner. Applicant submits that this should address the issues regarding the oath/declaration and the claim for priority.

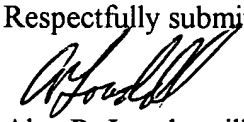
As for the double patenting rejection, Applicant is submitting concurrently herewith a terminal disclaimer. It is submitting that this should overcome this rejection.

An IDS also accompanies this amendment.

No new matter has been added. Please charge any additional fees due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0251.

Reexamination and allowance is requested. If there are any questions, Applicant's attorney requests an opportunity to discuss such questions with the Examiner by way of a telephone or in-person interview.

Respectfully submitted,



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